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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action dated March 3, 2005 in the referenced application. Applicant is concurrently submitting a Supplemental Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 131 made by the inventor. It is believed that this Response and the accompanying Declaration effectively overcomes the only cited reference, *i.e.*, United States Patent No. 6,665,861 to Francis et al. ("Francis").